

SEEK TO DEFEAT NEW LIBERTY LOAN

ALL PARTS OF COUNTRY ARE EM-
BARRASSED BY GERMAN
PROPAGANDA.

DISCREDITS NATIONAL ARMY

Banks Warned Not to Buy Bonds and
Subscribers Urged to Back Up—
Situation in Hand and
Prospects Bright.

Washington.—Pro-German agents in the United States, according to reports to the treasury department, have directed their energies toward defeating the Liberty loan.

Their organized propaganda has borne fruit from Minnesota to Texas. The work of the pro-German agents, officials said, has been carried on for more than two weeks.

Official recognition of the propaganda against the loan was voiced by Col. Herbert M. Lord, representing the war department at the war risk insurance conference, at which the details of the new soldiers and sailors' insurance law are being explained to officers and enlisted men from the various cantonments.

"There has been an organized effort," said Col. Lord, who was chairman of the meeting, "to discourage and defeat the loan."

This effort, he added, has been made "by seeking to misrepresent the patriotism of the new national army."

Assembled from various sources, the efforts of workers against the loan appear to have been directed along four main channels: Attempts to discourage prospective buyers of Liberty bonds; efforts to prevent certain banks from handling the bonds; the publication in certain newspapers of editorials and articles which, while not directly opposing loan subscriptions, tend to discourage buyers, and the prevention, so far as local and sporadic efforts can prevent, of the placing of Liberty Loan posters and advertising literature where it will be most beneficial.

BUY A LIBERTY BOND.

WOULD TAKE OVER MINES

U. S. NOT TO ALLOW COAL PRO-
DUCTION TO CEASE.

Commissioner Garfield Acts After
Men Decide to Quit—Strike
Now in Effect.

Washington.—Federal Fuel Administrator Garfield warned coal operators and miners where strikes have occurred or are impending that the government would take charge of coal production if it continued to be threatened by strikes.

After a conference with John P. White, president of the United Mine Workers of America, at which the situation in Illinois was considered, Dr. Garfield sent an appeal by telegraph to miners and operators to consider the national emergency and resume production.

Practically all the coal miners in Illinois are on strike now, according to an announcement made by President Brewster of the Coal Operators' association of the Fifth and Ninth districts.

The widespread suspension is remarkable in view of the fact that it is not ordered or sanctioned by the union officials and is what the officials of the union call "a rebellion."

President Brewster said that his reports indicated that not only in the Fifth and Ninth districts, but all over the state, the miners had laid down their tools.

The Fifth and Ninth districts, from which most of the coal supply for St. Louis has been coming, includes St. Clair, Washington, Perry, Madison and Randolph counties and parts of Clinton, Montgomery and Macoupin counties.

North of this is the Springfield district, which includes practically all of the central Illinois fields. South of it is the Carterville district, into which the strike has not extended.

Socialists to Oppose Loan.

Amsterdam.—A German Socialist paper says the Socialists will oppose the new war credit of 10,000,000,000 marks in December unless Chancellor Michaelis has resigned.

Officer Held as Deserter.
San Francisco.—Lieut. Everett F. Shipley, Battery F, First California Artillery, is under arrest at Arcadia, near Los Angeles, on a charge of desertion from the regular army.

Club Discharges German Servants.
Boston.—All German servants employed in the Boston City Club, 20 in all, have been discharged because of complaints of members of alleged "breaches of discipline."

Mints Run 24 Hours a Day.
Washington.—Demand for silver coins has been so great that every mint in the country has been placed on a 24-hour day basis. This has never been necessary before.

Girl's Headless Body Found.
Seattle.—The headless body of Ruth Demeritt, 17, who has been missing since the night of a dance in September, was found in the brush near here. Her escort was arrested but has been released.

K. C. Street Car Men Get Raise.
Kansas City, Mo.—The Kansas City Railways Co. announced a wage increase of 8 cents an hour to trainmen. The increase will amount to more than \$100 a year for each trainman.

CAMOUFLAGE PROTECTS ITALIAN ROAD



Where the Italians are driving back the Austrians high in the mountains on the Isonzo front camouflage is practiced extensively by the Italians to protect their lines of communication and supplies. This photograph shows the road to Vipulano protected by a screen of straw from the artillery fire of the enemy that is constantly sweeping over it. A supply train is passing along the road.

RED CROSS CONTRIBUTIONS U. S. IS LOSER BY FRAUD

AMERICAN BRANCH GIVES MIL-
LION TO BRITISH BRANCH.

Contribution Is Made in Connection
With "Our Day" Collection in
Behalf of English Fund.

London.—A list of contributions made public in connection with "Our Day" collection in behalf of the British Red Cross is led by a gift of \$1,000,000 from the American Red Cross. Of this amount \$250,000 is for the relief and comfort of the sick and wounded in the hospitals and casualty clearing stations in the lines of communications where the British forces are fighting; \$250,000 is for the maintenance of military hospitals and convalescent homes in England and \$500,000 is for the institutions in Great Britain devoted to orthopedics, facial treatment and general restorative work for disabled British soldiers.

In a letter accompanying the gift, Maj. Grayson, M. P. Murphy, head of the American Red Cross commission in Europe, praised the work of the British Red Cross and added:

"We hope you will accept our contribution as an earnest of the desire of our people to begin to take our share of the burden of the war which your forces have waged for three years in behalf of the whole civilized world."

NEED FOR WOMEN RECRUITS

Britain Asks 10,000 a Month for Serv-
ice in France—Under Mil-
itary Discipline.

London.—Ten thousand women recruits a month for use in the army auxiliary service are being appealed for here. The chief need is for domestic workers, typists and automobile drivers. One of the recruiting posters says:

"Although the women must be strong, reliable, it must not be supposed that their life is all hard work. They swim, they have games and musical evenings and dances, to which each woman can invite one soldier friend. They play as hard as they work, and they live a wholesome life."

"The women are under military discipline, but they do not march to work, nor do they salute their officers or officers of the male army."

AMERICA TO JOIN CONFERENCE

Secretary Lansing Says That Question
of Being Represented Is Un-
der Consideration.

Washington.—While official announcement is being withheld, it is practically certain that the United States will be represented at the coming conference of all the nations at war against Germany, which will be held in Paris.

Secretary Lansing authorized the statement that it definitely had been decided that there would be a conference and that the United States was considering participating in it, with the possibility that it would be decided to do so.

Gas Supply Is Cut.

Copenhagen.—New gas regulations have been issued in Berlin, which virtually put consumers on half rations. The new orders are necessary because of the inability to obtain coal.

Missouri Shaft Is Unveiled.
Vicksburg, Miss.—Dedication of the Missouri and New York monuments in the National Cemetery here were features of the national memorial reunion of Confederate and Union veterans.

Kansas Gets War Medal.
Effingham, Kan.—Roy Stockwell, formerly of this city, has been given the French war medal for bravery in action while a member of the American ambulance service in the allied war zone.

Dandies Kill Eight Mexican Cowboys.
El Paso, Tex.—Bandits under Julio Acosta killed eight Mexican cowboys near Santa Station. Martin Lopez, leader of the little town of San Andres, 40 miles west of Chihuahua City and lawlessness is rampant.

Prisoners of War Conference.
Copenhagen.—The prisoners of war conference which will consider questions relating to the exchange of prisoners and the supplying of food parcels to soldiers held in enemy countries is in session here.

MUNITIONS MAKERS HOLD OUT \$17,000,000 IN TAXES.

Fake Returns Made by War Con-
tractors Discovered by Treas-
ury Department.

Washington.—A \$17,000,000 munitions tax fraud has been uncovered by the treasury department.

Attempts of war contractors to evade payment of the 12½ per cent tax on their profits have been revealed by investigation of the internal revenue bureau, which has been in progress for some months.

The bureau announced that \$10,000,000 of the fraudulently withheld tax already has been recovered through pursuit of a compromise policy and that the government is determined to recover every cent of the remaining unpaid taxes.

The scheme resorted to by the munitions makers depended principally on improper returns of taxable property and income. It is alleged by the bureau that the big war contract plants charged off to depreciation vast sums which should have been returned for the calculation of tax.

It is stated that in some cases the entire costs of huge plants, especially erected to turn out munitions, were charged off in this manner.

This practice was defended on the ground that the plants would be useless for any other purpose, but the government takes the position that such a method of evading payment is fraudulent.

ZIONISTS OPPOSE REGULATION

Voliva Supports the Protest of Nine
Drafted into Army—Willing
to Give Lives.

Chicago.—When Zion City's quota of nine men went to the cantonment at Rockford they discovered that vaccination against smallpox and typhoid was prescribed, a practice not countenanced by their religion. They appealed to Overseer Wilbur Glenn Voliva and he in turn entered a protest with President Wilson.

No word has been received from Washington, and, so says Overseer Voliva, the nine Zionist soldiers will not be inoculated, even if "they have to go to prison or be shot."

"They're willing to give up their lives for the country," he declared, "but to force them to have a lot of germs shot into their bodies, never! Such a practice is against our principles and we're going to fight it."

NEW GAS GIVES CONSUMPTION

Germany Perfect Vapor Which Devel-
ops Symptoms of Tubercu-
losis Immediately.

Uetrograd.—The Germans are using a new form of poisoned gas which produces tuberculosis in its victims. The symptoms of the disease are felt at once. In view of the great danger attending the use of the gas, the Germans themselves are supplied with special masks for protection.

Filipinos Pledge Loyalty.

Manila, P. I.—The insular congress has just opened and its first act was to adopt a resolution of loyalty pledging the people to the cause for which the United States has taken up arms.

Big Supply of Army Hay Burns.
Battle Creek, Mich.—Fire of undetermined origin at Camp Custer destroyed 1,000,000 pounds of hay and gave 1,000 of the new national army their first experience in obeying orders.

India Has Record Wheat Crop.
Washington.—A record crop of wheat in India is reported in a dispatch to the department of agriculture. British officials fix the estimate at 379,282,000 bushels compared with 323,908,000 bushels the year before.

1,333 Soldiers Subscribe \$123,000.
Douglas, Ariz.—Soldiers stationed here have purchased second Liberty bonds to the amount of \$569,482. One artillery regiment numbering 1,333 men has subscribed to the amount of \$123,000.

Asked to Bring Knitting to Church.
Chicago.—Women of the First Congregational church of Evanston, a suburb, were asked by their pastor, Rev. William T. McIlvaine, to bring their knitting to church with them every Sunday.

CHEAPER FOODS SOON TO COME

HOOVER SAYS RETAIL PRICES
ARE TOO HIGH; MUST
BE REDUCED.

WHOLESALE PRICES SLUMP

Co-Operation Needed and Question of
Cost of Living Will Be Settled,
Says Food Administrator
in Statement.

Washington.—Food Administrator Hoover announced that, subject to co-operation from the farmers and retailers, the corner has now been turned in high prices for food. He said retail prices had not come down to conform to wholesale reduction and that was a matter for public sentiment to correct.

The administrator's statement follows:

"The food administration considers that, subject to co-operation from the farmers and the retailers, the corner now has been turned in high prices and that most of the essential commodities should one after another continue to show reductions between now and the end of the year.

"The current prices at which flour is being sold at the mill door in jute bags vary somewhat with the locality and freight charges on wheat.

"The average retail prices on first patents in 796 cities on Oct. 13 was \$13.77, or from \$1.50 to \$2 per barrel higher than is warranted by the price being made by the millers.

"The bean harvest this year is estimated by the department of agriculture at approximately 7,000,000 bushels in excess of last year, and promises an abundant supply. The growers' associations in prominent bean-producing states are holding beans for from 15½ to 15 cents per pound, as against an average price realized by the grower last year of 8 cents per pound.

About End of November.

"The corn harvest this year is 600,000,000 to 700,000,000 bushels over last year, and will be generally available about the end of November. The price of corn rose to \$2.30 per bushel in July, and now stands at \$1.90 per bushel in Chicago. New corn is quoted in Chicago at \$1.13 per bushel for December, and indicates nearly a 40 per cent drop in corn meal when the corn is generally available."

KAISER NOT TO LOSE ALSACE

Invites French to Come and Get Prov-
inces if They Must Have
Them.

The Hague.—A dispatch from Berlin places the kaiser on record as saying Germany will not give up Alsace and Lorraine to France unless they are taken by force of arms. Karl Roemer, war correspondent of the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger, who accompanied the kaiser to Constantinople, telegraphed an account of the luncheon on the trip east. The kaiser had just finished reading an account of the speech of Premier Painleve of France, in which the premier said France would fight until Alsace and Lorraine were restored.

"Good," the kaiser was quoted as saying. "So M. Painleve wants Alsace and Lorraine. But he must come and take them then. His loud-sounding phrases are without reason."

AIR REPRISALS HALT TEUTONS

Muenchener Post Favors Agreement
to End This Mode of Warfare
—Stiffens Resistance.

Zurich.—That Great Britain's decision to bomb German cities and towns in reprisal for air raids on London and other English cities and towns is having a sobering effect in southern Germany is indicated by the Muenchener Post, which says that air attacks on open towns have proved, quite apart from moral estimates, that this mode of warfare will be the means of stiffening rather than breaking the determination of the people.

The newspaper says this applies to all belligerents and that it would be a matter for rejoicing if all of them would agree "no longer to make this fearful world catastrophe still more horrible through the slaughter of defenseless persons."

New Revolt Predicted.

Chicago.—Another revolution in China, more widespread than any the ancient empire has known, was forecast in Chicago by Hsieh Tehyn, Chinese commissioner to the United States, en route to Washington.

Mexico Splitting Up Haciendas.
Toluca, Mexico.—The government has commenced the splitting of several large haciendas or ranches into small property holdings which are being sold to small holders on long time and easy terms.

Three Players to Go on Stage.
Chicago.—Three world's series players will answer the call of the footlights. Buck Weaver and Eddie Cicotte of the Sox and Benny Kauff of the Giants have accepted theatrical offers.

Revolt in Finland.
Stockholm.—The Dagblad publishes reports that Germany is fostering a revolution in Finland as an aid to the German land and sea drive now under way on the Baltic coast. German submarines have landed arms and ammunition.

Russian Battleship Sunk.
Petrograd.—One Russian battleship, the Glava, has been sunk in a naval engagement in which for a considerable time Russian warships stood off Germany's strong fleet.



1—The Rainbow division at Camp Mills, Mineola, Long Island, passing in review on inspection day. 2—Chet Lantiat of one of New York's big hotels giving davy men a lesson in meat cutting. 3—French signal corps men sending up an automatic camera attached to a kite to photograph enemy positions.

OFF COME THE SHOES OF GERMAN WAR PRISONERS



The first thing a German prisoner of war does is to take off his shoes and rest his feet. A group of boches captured by Canadians is here shown reposing in comparative comfort.

ONE OF ITALY'S BIG GUNS NEAR THE ISONZO



This is one of the heaviest of the guns used by the Italians in the Isonzo sector, mounted in a place that was the scene of a fierce fight just before the photograph was taken.

WIRE ENTANGLEMENTS USED BY THE FRENCH



Wire entanglements such as these soldiers are making are used by the French with good results in places where posts cannot well be set up.

FAMOUS CUBAN AVIATOR



This is the latest photograph of the young Cuban aviator, Flight Lieutenant S. G. Campuzano. Campuzano, in company with Sergt. Kenneth Proctor Littauer of Washington, who belongs to the same escadrille, has distinguished himself for his daring on numerous occasions along the western front. He is now on leave in Havana assisting in the training of the Cuban flying corps. Before his departure from France on furlough, after he was wounded in action, he received a special service medal from the French army. The municipal council of Havana on his arrival there voted a gold medal to him.

The Point of View.

A. E. Needham, a Muncie lawyer, is proud of a summer cottage erected by him on the shore of Lake Wawasee, where his family lived for several months, and where he spent the week-ends, says the Indianapolis News. During the summer an elderly country woman who knows the Needham family called at the home of a relative and was told that Needham and his family "had gone to the country to see their day she was in the city, again and, seeing Needham in the street, rushed up to him and said: "Well, cheer up, Bert; it ain't so bad even if you did have to move out into the country. Your folks got their start that way and you're a young man yet and have plenty of time to get a new start in the world. I look to see you and your folks living back in town again in another year."

Funny Names.

Mr. Twigger—This general we were speaking of is extremely popular with his command. They say his men swear by him.

His Wife—Those funny European names do sound like cuss words, don't they?

Speaking and Thinking.

"If you refuse to hear me," shouted the agitated person, "you shut off freedom of speech."

"Well, freedom of thought has some rights. And when you get to speech-making I defy you or anybody else to think."

An Example.

"The subjects of the Hohenzollerns and the Hapsburgs ought to like the English cockneys."

"How's that?"

"Drop their 'H's.'—Exchange.